Road projects in Rajasthan

4691. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

whether road projects in Rajasthan started by NDA Government have been completed as per schedule/target;

if not, the reasons for delay, project-wise, location-wise and year-wise;

by when the incompleted projects are going to be completed and the details thereof; and

whether annual allocation for their repair and maintenance in the State has constantly been decreasing, resulting in their decay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) This Ministry is responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). In Rajasthan development and maintenance of NHs has been entrusted partly to Government of Rajasthan (State PWD) and partly to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). There are three projects pertaining to National Highways with the State PWD, which were started before May 2004, and have not been completed as per schedule/target mainly due to delay by the contractors. These projects are likely to be completed by December 2007 as per revised targets given in Statement (See below).

As far as NHAI is concerned, National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-I in Rajasthan was started before May 2004, and has since been completed though there were delay in some contracts due to problems associated with land acquisition, shifting of utilities, approval/construction of Road Over Bridges etc.

(d) No,'Sir.

Statement

Details of revised targets and reasons for delay regarding completion of Highway Projects

Sl. No.	NH No.	Name of work	Sanction Year	Revised likely target date of completion	Reason for delay
1.	12	Construction of High Level Bridge across river Ghar at km 376 & its approaches as on Jaipur-Jabalpur road NH 12	31.3.98 & 1.6.05 (revised sanction)	30.06.07	Delayed by contractor and due to sanction of revised estimate.
2.	65	Widening of existing road from single lane to two lane from km 94/500 to 118/0 of NH 65 (Fatehpur-Haryana-Border section	12.2.04	30.06.07	(i). Delayed by contractor, (ii). The work was rescinded and re-awarded in May, 2006.
3.	12	Widening to two lane in km 330/0 to 411/0 in selected stretches on NH-12	7.11.02	31.12.07	(i) Delayed by contractor, (ii). The work was rescinded and re-awarded in November, 2006.

Four-laning of roads in Bihar

†4692. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

whether there is any proposal to convert 239 km long NHO into four lanes in Bihar;

the National Highways consisting of 239 km to be converted in four lanes;

by when Government are going to start the construction work of above four lane National Highways indicating the target fixed for its completion; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.